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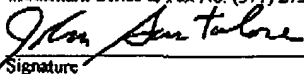
**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO JULY 13, 2006 OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This amendment is in response to a Non-Final Office Action issued in connection with the above-identified application on July 13, 2006. The July 13th Office Action sets a three-month period in which to file a response. Accordingly, a response to the outstanding Office Action was due October 13, 2006. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), an Extension of Time of three months is hereby requested and authorization is hereby given to charge the required fee to Deposit Account No. 11-0171. In light of the Extension of Time, the period for filing a response to the July 13, 2006 Office Action now expires January 13, 2007. However, since January 13<sup>th</sup> falls on a Saturday and Monday, January 15, 2007, was a Federal Holiday, a response to the July 13, 2006 Office Action is due the next business day; namely, Tuesday, January 16, 2007. Accordingly, the present Amendment is timely filed.

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